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1. **DRAWINGS.** 37 CFR 1.84(a)-(g). Acceptable drawings:
- Black ink. Color.
 - Not black, solid lines. Fig(s) _____
 - Color drawings are not acceptable until petition is granted. Fig(s) _____
2. **PHOTOGRAPHS.** 37 CFR 1.84(b)
- Photographs are not acceptable until petition is granted. Fig(s) _____
 - Photographs not properly mounted (must use bristol board or photographic double-weight paper). Fig(s) _____
 - Poor quality (half-tone). Fig(s) _____
3. **GRAPHIC FORMS.** 37 CFR 1.84(d)
- Chemical or mathematical formula not labeled as separate figure. Fig(s) _____
 - Group of waveforms not presented as a single figure, using common vertical axis with time extending along horizontal axis. Fig(s) _____
 - Individuals waveform not identified with a separate letter designation adjacent to the vertical axis. Fig(s) _____
4. **TYPE OF PAPER.** 37 CFR 1.84(c)
- Paper not flexible, strong, white, smooth, nonshiny, and durable. Sheet(s) _____
 - Erasures, alterations, overwritings, interlineations, cracks, creases, and folds copy machine marks not accepted. Fig(s) 1-7, 9
 - Mylar, velum paper is not acceptable (too thin). Fig(s) _____
5. **SIZE OF PAPER.** 37 CFR 1.84(f): Acceptable sizes:
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|---|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 21.6 cm. by 35.6 cm. (8 1/2 by 14 inches) | 21.6 cm. by 33.1 cm. (8 1/2 by 13 inches) | 21.6 cm. by 27.9 cm. (8 1/2 by 11 inches) | 21.0 cm. by 29.7 cm. (DIN size A4) |
| T 5.1 cm. (2") | 2.5 cm. (1") | 2.5 cm. (1") | 2.5 cm. |
| L .64 cm. (1/4") | .64 cm. (1/4") | .64 cm. (1/4") | 2.5 cm. |
| R .64 cm. (1/4") | .64 cm. (1/4") | .64 cm. (1/4") | 1.5 cm. |
| B .64 cm. (1/4") | .64 cm. (1/4") | .64 cm. (1/4") | 1.0 cm. |
6. **MARGINS.** 37 CFR 1.84(g): Acceptable margins:
- Paper size _____
- 21.6 cm. X 35.6 cm. 21.6 cm. X 33.1 cm. 21.6 cm. X 27.9 cm. 21.0 cm. X 29.7 cm.
(8 1/2 X 14 inches) (8 1/2 X 13 inches) (8 1/2 X 11 inches) (DIN Size A4)
- T 5.1 cm. (2") 2.5 cm. (1") 2.5 cm. (1") 2.5 cm.
L .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 2.5 cm.
R .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 1.5 cm.
B .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 1.0 cm.
- Margins do not conform to chart above.
Sheet(s) _____
Top (T) _____ Left (L) _____ Right (R) _____ Bottom (B)
7. **VIEWS.** 37 CFR 1.84(h)
- REMINDER: Specification may require revision to correspond to drawing changes.
- All views not grouped together. Fig(s) _____
 - Views connected by projection lines or lead lines. Fig(s) _____
 - Partial views. 37 CFR 1.84(h) 2

8. **CHARACTER OF LINES, NUMBERS, & LETTERS.** 37 CFR 1.84(i)
- Lines, numbers & letters not uniformly thick and well defined, clean, durable, and black (except for color drawings). Fig(s) 1-13
9. **SCALE.** 37 CFR 1.84(k)
- Scale not large enough to show mechanism with crowding when drawing is reduced in size to two-thirds in reproduction. Fig(s) _____
 - Indication such as "actual size" or scale 1/2" not permitted. Fig(s) _____
10. **CHARACTER OF LINES, NUMBERS, & LETTERS.** 37 CFR 1.84(i)
- Lines, numbers & letters not uniformly thick and well defined, clean, durable, and black (except for color drawings). Fig(s) 1-13
11. **SHADING.** 37 CFR 1.84(m)
- Solid black shading areas not permitted. Fig(s) _____
 - Shade lines, pale, rough and blurred. Fig(s) _____
12. **NUMBERS, LETTERS, & REFERENCE CHARACTERS.** 37 CFR 1.84(p)
- Numbers and reference characters not plain and legible. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(1) Fig(s) 1-13
 - Numbers and reference characters not oriented in same direction as the view. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(1) Fig(s) _____
 - English alphabet not used. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) Fig(s) _____
 - Numbers, letters, and reference characters do not measure at least .32 cm. (1/8 inch) in height. 37 CFR(p)(3) Fig(s) 1-5, 9, 11
13. **LEAD LINES.** 37 CFR 1.84(q)
- Lead lines cross each other. Fig(s) _____
 - Lead lines missing. Fig(s) _____
14. **NUMBERING OF SHEETS OF DRAWINGS.** 37 CFR 1.84(t)
- Sheets not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals, beginning with number 1. Sheet(s) _____
15. **NUMBER OF VIEWS.** 37 CFR 1.84(u)
- Views not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals, beginning with number 1. Fig(s) _____
 - View numbers not preceded by the abbreviation Fig. Fig(s) _____
16. **CORRECTIONS.** 37 CFR 1.84(w)
- Corrections not made from prior PTO-948. Fig(s) _____
17. **DESIGN DRAWING.** 37 CFR 1.152
- Surface shading shown not appropriate. Fig(s) _____
 - Solid black shading not used for color contrast. Fig(s) _____

COMMENTS: